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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE LIBERALIZATION OF G-4 VISA ISSUANCE

1. G-4 VISA POLICY IS UNDER REVIEW. UN LEGAL POSITION IS THAT DISTINCTION SHOULD NOT BE MADE AMONG SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS BY REASON OF NATIONALITY AND THAT SOVIET NATIONALS ENTITLED TO G-4 STATUS SHOULD RECEIVE VISAS VALID FOR ONE YEAR AND MULTIPLE ENTRIES. USUN AND VO SUPPORT THIS POSITION.

2. WHEN THIS QUESTION WAS LAST CONSIDERED, IT WAS DECIDED TO DEFER LIBERALIZING G-4 VISA ISSUANCE FOR SOVIETS UNTIL NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING LIBERALIZING ISSUANCE OF G-1 AND G-2 VISAS IN EXCHANGE FOR SOVIET ISSUANCE OF ONE-YEAR, MULTIPLE-ENTRY-EXIT VISAS FOR AMERICAN NANNIES WERE COMPLETED.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO KNOW CURRENT SOVIET VISA POLICY TOWARD AMERICAN NANNIES AND US CORRESPONDENTS.

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DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON

LIBERALIZING ISSUANCE OF G-4 VISAS ONLY, OR ALTERNATIVELY OF ALL G VISAS AT THIS TIME. KISSINGER

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